

IT IS A S____L OF YOUR FAITH IN GOD

Have you ever seen someone wearing a wedding ring? If they take the ring off, are they still married? Yes, they are! The ring is a symbol that represents a special promise they made with another person. In the same way, baptism represents a promise we made to God: our decision to follow Him.

GALATIANS 3:27 (ICB)

You were all baptized into Christ, and so you were all clothed with Christ. This shows that you are all children of God.

IT M__T BE IN FRONT OF OTHERS

Baptism must be done in front of others in order to show others how God has changed your life. For some of the very first Christians, baptism was often a big event done outside of a city. By being baptized in front of everyone in the town, they were saying in front of all their family and friends that they were starting a new life as a Christian.

MATTHEW 10:32 (ICB)

[Jesus said] "If anyone stands before other people and says he believes in me, then I will say that he belongs to me."



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Let's work through the B.A.P.T.I.S.M. acronym to find out what baptism is all about!

B_____M DOES NOT GET YOU INTO HEAVEN

Is it possible to earn your way to Heaven through baptism? No, it's not! Read the verses below to find out how.

EPHESIANS 2:8-9 (ICB)

You have been saved by grace because you believe. You did not save yourselves. It was a gift from God. You cannot brag that you are saved by the work you have done.

IT IS AN A_T OF WORSHIP

Worship means doing something out of deep love and commitment. We get baptized as an act of worship to show Jesus that we love Him and are committed to following Him.

1 JOHN 4:19 (NLT)

We love because he first loved us.

IT IS A P_____E OF JESUS' DEATH AND RESURRECTION

Your baptism is more than just getting dunked in some water! It's a picture of how Jesus saved you!

COLOSSIANS 2:12 (NLT)

When you were baptized, you were buried with Christ and you were raised up with Christ because of your faith in God's power. That power was shown when he raised Christ from death.

Let's see if you can figure out what each part of baptism means. Draw a line from each action to what it reminds us of!

THE ACTION

Going underwater

Coming out of the water

WHAT IT REMINDS US OF

Jesus coming back to life

Jesus being buried

IT IS FOR T___E WHO BELIEVE IN JESUS

Baptism is only for those who have given their lives to God. Baptism is a way you show on the outside what God has done on the inside. It's a chance to shout your story of how God has changed you!

ACTS 2:38 (NLT)

Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins.

IT IS HOW WE I_____Y WITH CHRIST

Do you have a favorite sports team? If you do, I'd bet you wear their team hat or their jersey! It's a way we tell people that we are loyal to that team. That's what it means to identify with something. In the same way, we get baptized to tell others that we are identifying with Jesus and we're choosing to following Him. It's our way of saying we're on God's team!

ROMANS 6:4 (NLT)

So when we were baptized, we were buried with Christ and shared his death. We were buried with him so that we could live a new life, just as Christ was raised from death by the wonderful power of the Father.

Draw the jersey of your favorite sports team.
(Or make up a team of your own!)

